

**Preliminary Amendment of U.S. National Stage for International Application
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On a separate, new page 34, following page 33, please add the following new section heading and paragraph containing an Abstract of the Disclosure:

—ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A highly concentrated flowable pearlizing concentrate is comprised of: (a) from about 25 to about 45% by weight of a pearlizing wax; (b) from about 25 to about 40% by weight of nonionic, amphoteric, zwitterionic and/or cationic emulsifier and; (c) from about 0.5 to about 15% by weight of a polyol ester and the remainder water. The sum of components (a), (b) and (c) is at least 55% by weight. The concentrates are useful in cosmetic applications such as in hair shampoos and shower gels.—

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-10.

Please add the following new claims 11-20.

11. (New) A highly concentrated flowable pearlizing concentrate comprising: (a) from about 25 to about 45% by weight of a pearlizing wax; (b) from about 25 to about 40% by weight of nonionic, amphoteric, zwitterionic and/or cationic emulsifier and; (c) from about 0.5 to about 15% by weight of a polyol ester and the remainder water wherein the sum of components (a), (b) and (c) is at least 55% by weight.

12. (New) The concentrate of claim 1 wherein the pearlizing wax is selected from the group consisting of an alkylene glycol ester, a fatty acid alkanolamide, a partial glyceride ester of a polybasic carboxylic acid, a partial glyceride ester of a polybasic hydroxysubstituted carboxylic acid, a fatty alcohol, a fatty acid, a fatty ketone, a fatty aldehyde, a fatty ether, a fatty carbonate, ring opening products of olefin epoxides and mixtures thereof.